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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Surface Transportation Board

[STB Finance Docket No. 33680]

Central New England Railroad, Inc.—Operation Exemption—Line Owned by State of Connecticut

Department of Transportation

Central New England Railroad, Inc., an existing Class III carrier, has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1150.41 to operate approximately 8.7 miles of rail line owned by the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation from milepost 0.0, at Hartford, CT, to milepost 8.7, at Griffins, CT (known as the Griffins Industrial Track).<sup>1</sup>

The transaction is expected to be consummated on or after January 22, 1999.

If the notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void <u>ab initio</u>.

Petitions to revoke the exemption under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) may be filed at any time. The filing of a petition to revoke will not automatically stay the transaction.

An original and 10 copies of all pleadings, referring to STB Finance Docket No. 33680 must be filed with the Surface Transportation Board, Office of the Secretary, Case Control Unit, 1925 K Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20423-0001. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served upon Robert A. Wimbish, Esq., Rea, Cross & Auchincloss, 1707 L Street, N.W., Suite 570, Washington, DC 20036.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Applicant represents that the result of the proposed transaction will be the resumption of common carrier service on a state-owned line.

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Decided: January 21, 1999.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams

Secretary